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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE STATE NORMAL
SCHOOL, FOR 1852.

To the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut.

THE Board of Trustees of the State Normal School, in conformity to a provision of the Act establishing the same, respectfully submit to the Legislature their Third Annual Report.

At the time of the last Report to the Legislature, the Normal School had been in active operation one year. The cordial reception which had been given to the early efforts of the institution, had done much to cheer its friends with the open that the people were ready and disposed to cherish it in a way to secure continued prosperity and ultimate success.

We were then able to report that one hundred and fifty-four members had entered the institution, coming from almost every part of the state. During the year which is now brought to a close, one hundred and eighty-two names have been added to the list, making in all three hundred and thirty-six pupils. One hundred and fourteen were in attendance during the last term. In connection with the anniversary exercises of September last, two ladies and three gentlemen, of

the senior class, after a thorough examination, by a committee appointed by the board, in the branches required by law, and in the practice of teaching, received the regular diploma of the graduates. A large portion of those who have been connected with the school are now engaged in teaching. Those who have been here for a sufficient time to secure the advantages of instruction and practice to considerable extent have, it is believed, in all cases, given satisfaction. Many of them are in posts of responsibility, and receiving a fair remuneration. It is a matter of rejoicing that but one member of the institution has been removed by death since its organization. Several important hints are contained in the communication of the Associate Principal, which is here subjoined.

TO HON. FRANCIS GILLETTE,

President of the Board of Trustees of the Conn. Normal School.

Respected and dear sir: I gladly avail myself of the opportunity afforded by your invitation to make a few suggestions respecting the welfare and prospects of the institution, which it has been my privilege to superintend during the past two years. The experience of this period has confirmed the views which led to the arrangements made at the outset for instruction and practice in teaching. As you are already aware, the plans which were originally formed were the result of a careful study of the principal educational authors, and a comparison of the practices adopted in other similar institutions, together with the freely expressed views of the lamented Gallaudet, and the controlling opinions of my esteemed associate, Hon. Henry Barnard.

I am happy to be able to state that the idea of combining constant and daily practice in teaching and governing children, with a thorough review of branches required to be taught in our common schools proves to be exceedingly valuable. Teachers from every section of the state testify to the benefit derived from this peculiar feature of our plan. The kind coöperations of Rev. Prof. Guion and of the teach-

ers associated with him in the schools of practice, and the interest felt by the generous citizens of New Britain have contributed greatly to secure this result. It seems to me to be of the utmost importance that our pupils regularly avail themselves of this means of improvement, and that it be still more distinctly adopted by the board as a requisite to attendance upon the privileges of the school.

Experience has suggested to myself and to my respected fellow-laborer Professor Camp, that greater care ought to be taken to prevent incompetent persons from being sent to the Normal School by boards of visitors. Several youth are now palming themselves upon community as recent members of the school, whose whole appearance, on entering, during their stay, and at leaving, indicated their utter incapacity to teach or govern any school. Such cases are cited most unjustly in opposition to the hope of success which sustains the enterprise of elevating the teacher's profession. One such unsuitable teacher will do more to retard progress in our work than years of effort on our part will countervail.

The same is true in regard to short periods of attendance. We can not work miracles. Time is an element of success here as in every other work. The best talents need time for cultivation as well as patient, persevering culture. A youth can not become an experienced teacher in a week, nor in six weeks, nor in twelve. Other institutions require attendance for a definite period. Here pupils may secure certificates of admission, and enter and leave within a month, or even a week, and call themselves Normal Pupils for years, without ever seeing us again, and their success or failure be set down most unjustly in either case to the account of our school. Some remedy is demanded to stay this evil if possible without delay.

Other suggestions have occurred to my mind, but I prefer to test them by experience before laying them before you.

The year has been one of great prosperity, and augurs well for the future, in relation to our great enterprise.

With much respect, your obedient servant,

T. D. P. STONE.

The Board are happy to be able to state, that the building for the use of the Normal School has been placed in their hands, on terms presented in the following document.

Know all men by these presents, That the New Britain Educational Fund Company, a corporation duly incorporated according to the laws of the State of Connecticut, and established and located at the town of New Britain in the County of Hartford and State of Connecticut, (by Frederick H. North duly authorized and empowered to make, execute, sign, seal and deliver this instrument or conveyance in behalf of said corporation, under and by a certain vote of said corporation, that is to say, of the directors thereof, made and passed on the twenty-fourth day of November, A. D. 1851,) for the consideration of the desire of said company to promote the cause of education, and for the purpose of securing to the State of Connecticut, by a proper instrument or conveyance the use of the so called Normal School Building so long as said school shall be continued at said New Britain, and also in consideration of the gross sum of ten dollars, the receipt whereof is hereby duly acknowledged, have demised, leased and let, and hereby do demise, lease and let unto the Trustees of the Normal School, heretofore appointed by the Legislature of the State of Connecticut, and to their successors for the uses and purposes of said Normal School, and of the model primary school therewith connected, the building heretofore erected in said New Britain for the purposes of a Normal School and now owned by the aforesaid company, together with all such land as is now enclosed as appurtenant to said building, and all such land as lies between such enclosure and the highway in front of said building, and also with all other privileges and appurtenances belonging to the said building; this lease being without any reservation of rent hereafter to be paid by the lessees or any liability to forfeiture except as herein after provided: the term of this lease being for so long a time after the date of this instrument as the aforesaid Normal School shall be by said Trustees or their successors continued at said town of New Britain; it being hereby expressly understood and

declared, that in case the location of said school shall be changed from said New Britain or shall in any manner be discontinued therefrom, then this lease shall, by such removal or discontinuance immediately terminate and become void, and all the estate, property and privileges hereby conveyed shall immediately thereupon revert to the lessors or their successors or legal representatives, and they may immediately reenter and take possession of the said building and the appurtenances aforesaid. It is also hereby expressly declared and understood, that nothing in this instrument contained shall be construed to prohibit said Trustees from using any part of the above conveyed property for the purpose of such schools of practice as said Trustees may hereafter establish in connexion with the aforesaid Normal School.

In witness whereof, the said corporation, by said Frederick H. North, hereunto duly authorized as aforesaid, have hereunto affixed their signature and corporate seal this twenty-fourth day of November, A. D. 1851.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of

HENRY KELLOGG.

THE NEW BRITAIN EDUCATIONAL FUND CO.

By F. H. NORTH.

[L. S.]

And now, before signing, it is further provided, that the lessees shall at all times during the continuance of the aforesaid lease effect and keep a good policy of insurance to the amount of ten thousand dollars upon the aforesaid Normal School building, and shall surrender said building, when said lease shall terminate, to said corporation, or their successors, or legal representatives, in as good condition as it now is, ordinary wear and tear excepted.

In presence of

HENRY KELLOGG,

L. F. ROBINSON.

THE NEW BRITAIN EDUCATIONAL FUND CO.

By F. H. NORTH.

[L. S.]

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, }
 County of Hartford. } HARTFORD, 24 Nov., A. D. 1851.

Personally appeared Frederick H. North, signer and sealer of the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to be the free act and deed of the New Britain Educational Fund Company.

LUCIUS F. ROBINSON, *Notary Public.*

For the year since the date of their last report, the Trustees have drawn from the treasury of the State, on the Normal School fund, to the amount of \$2,411.80: viz., \$2,255 for instruction, \$156.80 for expense of Trustees, printing, &c.

With deep regret, we would announce the decease of our respected associate, Hon. Oswin A. Doolittle, whose interest in the school was evinced by efforts in its behalf to the very last of his valued life. For the vacancy thus made, and in place of Charles Osgood, member for New London County, resigned, and of Ezra S. Williams, member for Middlesex County, whose term expires at the close of the present session of the General Assembly, the Legislature will please make the necessary appointments. We can not close this communication without expressing the hope that members of your Hon. Body, together with the Executive, and numbers of the citizens interested in the cause of education, will be able to attend the Anniversary exercises, which take place on the last Wednesday in September.

By order of the Board,

FRANCES GILLETTE, *Chairman.*

NEW BRITAIN, June 4th, 1852.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

FRANCIS GILLET, of Farmington, for Hartford County; term expires in 1853. Rev. E. B. HUNTINGTON, of West Meriden, for New Haven County; term expires in 1854. WILLIAM D. SHIPMAN, of East Haddam, for Middlesex County; term expires in 1854. SETH P. BEERS, of Litchfield, for Litchfield County; term expires in 1853. ROGER AVERILL, of Danbury, for Fairfield County; term expires in 1854. HENRY P. HAVENS, of New London, for New London County; term expires in 1854. HEZEKIAH S. RAMSDELL, of Thompson, for Windham County; term expires in 1854. LOREN P. WALDO, of Tolland, for Tolland County; term expires in 1854.

HENRY BARNAED, Sup't of Common Schools, Secretary of the Board.

CATALOGUE OF MEMBERS
OF THE
STATE NORMAL SCHOOL OF CONNECTICUT,
FROM ITS COMMENCEMENT.

N. B. Those members to whose names a * is appended, entered with the full requirements of the law literally complied with in relation to their certificates. Slight informalities in regard to others' certificates might prevent their continuance in the institution if other applicants from the same school societies should claim admission.

The vote of the trustees, which has allowed admission in cases of this kind, had reference only to the past, as many were ignorant of the legal requirements, from the fact that the institution has been so recently opened.

No.	Name in Full.	Post Office Address.	From what School Society.	Date of Certificate.
1.	Walter S. Alexander,*	Killingly,	Killingly,	April 8, 1850.
2.	Lucian Allard,	Thompson,	Thompson,	July 4, "
3.	Ellen Andrews,	New Britain,	New Britain,	Aug. 23, "
4.	Julia Atwood,*	Newington,	Newington,	Nov. 27, "
5.	Nancy L. Bemis,	New Britain,	New Britain,	April 4, "
6.	Sarah Benham,	Burlington,	Burlington,	Aug. 23, "
7.	Jane S. Beckwith,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	" " "
8.	Benjamin F. Brinsmade,	Trumbull,	Trumbull,	" 14, "
9.	Franklin C. Brownell,*	Moodus,	East Haddam,	April 29, "
10.	Frederick B. Brigham,	South Coventry,	South Coventry,	" 2, "
11.	Nathaniel C. Boardman,*	Middletown,	Westfield,	" 20, "
12.	Richard N. Botsford,*	Newtown,	Newtown,	May 14, "
13.	Harriet M. Beadle,*	Wallingford,	Wallingford,	Nov. 18, "
14.	Sarah D. Bidwell,*	East Hartford,	East Hartford,	" 26, "
15.	M. Lizzie Butler,	New Britain,	New Britain,	Aug. 18, "
16.	Helen J. Bassett,	"	"	" 14, "
17.	Mary Chapman,*	Ellington,	Ellington,	Dec. 9, "
18.	Sarah M. Camp,	W. Meriden,	Meriden,	Oct. 3, "
19.	Mary J. Camp,	Durham,	Durham,	Dec. 2, "
20.	Ellen S. Cornwall,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	April 23, "
21.	Gideon H. Candee,*	Oxford,	Oxford,	" 22, "
22.	C. F. Clark,	Columbia,	Columbia,	" 20, "
23.	Orlando Clark,*	Chaplin,	Chaplin,	" 15, "
24.	Benjamin E. Carter,*	Warren,	Warren,	" 10, "
25.	Ibra Cannon,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	Aug. 28, "
26.	Leverett L. Camp,*	W. Meriden,	W. Meriden,	" 17, "
27.	Arthur D. Catlin,	Litchfield,	Litchfield, 1st,	" 5, "
28.	Harvey D. Campbell,*	Voluntown,	Voluntown,	" 30, "
29.	Timothy E. Campbell,*	Willimantic,	Willimantic,	" " "
30.	Ellen A. Clark,	New Britain,	New Britain,	" 23, "
31.	Rebecca Clark,*	Farmington,	Farmington,	Nov. 13, "
32.	S. Elizabeth Duham,*	Southington,	Southington,	Aug. 20, "

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33.	Laura A. Day,*	West Chester,	West Chester,	April 28, 1850.
34.	Edwin B. Downing,*	Preston,	Preston,	Aug. 19, "
35.	Woodworth W. Dowd,*	Berlin,	Worthington,	" 9, "
36.	Mary G. Dayton,	Watertown,	Watertown,	July 29, "
37.	Louisa Day,*	Canaan,	Canaan, 2d,	Nov. 28, "
38.	Helen E. Downs,*	Bristol,	Bristol,	" 14, "
39.	Herman Day,*	West Chester,	West Chester,	" 24, "
40.	Julius Doolittle,*	Bethany,	Bethany,	Sept. 17, "
41.	Lucetta M. Elton.*	Kensington,	Kensington,	April 16, "
42.	Dwight Ely,*	Middletown,	Middletown, 2d,	Nov. 20, 1849.
43.	Jane C. Francis,*	Wethersfield,	Wethersfield,	Aug. 7, 1850.
44.	Ellen Francis,*	"	"	Sept. 1, "
45.	Julia H. Hough,*	Bristol,	Bristol,	Nov. —, "
46.	Juliette F. Hyde,*	Norwich,	Norwich,	Dec. 9, "
47.	Franklin H. Hart,	Durham Center,	Durham Center,	Dec. 6, 1851.
48.	Augusta Griswold,	Middletown,	Westfield,	April 16, "
49.	Susan Gridley,*	West Hartford,	West Hartford,	May 6, 1850.
50.	Ann Jane Goodrich,	S. Glasterbury,	S. Glasterbury,	April 16, "
51.	B. V. Gallup,	Voluntown,	Voluntown,	Aug. 23, "
52.	Lucy A. Greenslit,	Franklin,	Franklin,	Nov. 16, "
53.	Caroline O. Gaylord,	Bloomfield,	Bloomfield,	" 15, "
54.	Sarah M. Hough,	Westfield,	Westfield,	April 18, "
55.	Mary E. Hooker,*	Kensington,	Kensington,	Aug. 5, "
56.	Julia Hovey,*	Berlin,	Worthington,	" 15, "
57.	Adeline Hurd,*	Avon.	Avon,	Feb 30, "
58.	Edward P. Hammond,*	Vernon,	Vernon,	Aug. 24, "
59.	John C. Hutchinson,	Gilead,	Gilead,	May 16, "
60.	Aretus R. Holt,	Norfolk,	Norfolk,	Aug. 5, "
61.	Benjamin F. Hilliard,	N. Stonington,	N. Stonington.	
62.	Justina Hitchcock,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	Dec. 5, 1851.
63.	Lydia G. Hart,*	Guilford,	Guilford,	Oct. 12, 1850.
64.	Harriet Hotchkiss,*	Kensington,	Kensington,	Dec. 2, "
65.	Eliza Hotchkiss,*	"	"	Oct. 12, "
66.	Sarah P. Hollister,*	"	"	Dec. 2, "
67.	Helen A. Ives,	Durham,	Durham,	Nov. 4, "
68.	Julia A. Isham,*	Tolland,	Tolland,	Jan. 25, 1851.
69.	Levi Jewitt,*	West Chester,	West Chester,	Aug. 18, 1850.
70.	Leonard Halsey,*	Killingworth,	Killingworth,	Nov. 20, "
71.	Helen M. A. Lee,*	Middletown,	Middletown,	May 9, "
72.	Caroline M. Lane,	Killingworth,	Killingworth.	
73.	Mark Latimer,	Chesterfield,	Chesterfield.	
74.	S. Henry Lee,*	Lisbon,	Lisbon,	May 9, "
75.	Jane C. Loomis,*	West Chester,	West Chester,	Aug. 18, "
76.	Jenny T. Lee,	New Britain,	New Britain,	" 23, "
77.	James C. Mills,*	Thompson,	Thompson,	June 26, "
78.	Catharine V. Murphy,*	Norwich,	Norwich,	Nov. 27, "
79.	Josiah H. Merriman,	Southington,	Southington,	" 30, "
80.	Samuel Morehouse,*	Fairfield,	Fairfield,	Dec. 2, "
81.	Henry Nichols,*	Newtown,	Newtown,	May 14, "
82.	Catharine P. North,*	Wolcottville,	Wolcottville,	Dec. 25, "
83.	Jane S. Olmsted,	East Hartford,	East Hartford.	
84.	Lathrop S. Peirce,	Mansfield,	Mansfield,	April 9, "
85.	Bela A. Peck,*	Westminster,	Hanover,	May 7, "
86.	Philo D. Preston,	Chaplin,	Chaplin,	Aug. 1, "
87.	Elias R. Rennoyer,	Darien,	Darien,	April 8, "
88.	Abijah Peck,	New Britain,	New Britain,	" 23, "
89.	Lucy Ann Robbins,*	Wethersfield,	Wethersfield,	April 23, "
90.	George Sherwood,*	New Milford,	New Milford,	" 27, "
91.	James L. Stone,	North Coventry,	N. Coventry, 1st,	
92.	Eliza Sayer,*	Hitchcockville,	Winsted,	Aug. 31, "

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93.	Cornelia Safford,*	Norwich,	Norwich,	Nov. 27, 1850.
94.	Susan L. Spring,	East Hartford,	East Hartford,	" 26, "
95.	Edwin Talcott,	Coventry,	Coventry,	May 20, "
96.	E. Ely Talcott,*	Gilead,	Gilead,	" 16, "
97.	Charles Talcott,*	Coventry,	Coventry,	" 6, "
98.	Emily M. Thompson,*	Huntington,	Huntington,	Nov. 25, 1851.
99.	Reuben B. Terrill,*	Newtown,	Newtown,	" 13, 1850.
100.	Emily M. Woodford,*	Avon,	Avon,	M'ch 30, "
101.	Anna Maria Williams,*	Abington,	Abington,	April 22, "
102.	Mary L. Wilson,*	Willimantic,	Willimantic,	" 10, "
103.	Edward G. Wheeler,	Monroe,	Monroe,	" 17, 1851.
104.	S. Bridie Welton,	Wolcott,	Wolcott,	" 16, 1850.
105.	Stanley L. Warner,*	New Milford,	New Milford,	Aug. 29, "
106.	Julia A. Wright,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	
107.	Emily P. Wilcox,*	Middletown,	Westfield,	Nov. 29, 1851.
108.	Gertrude Williams,*	Bristol,	Bristol,	" 14, 1850.
109.	Julia H. Woodruff,*	Farmington,	Farmington,	" 23, "
110.	Emma Brewer,*	East Hartford,	Hockanum,	May 18, 1851.
111.	Moses Betts,*	Greenfield,	Greenfield,	M'ch 17, "
112.	Isabel H. Andrews,*	Glastenbury,	Glastenbury,	" 3, "
113.	Susan M. Dickinson,	New Britain,		
114.	Henry Davis,	Oxford,	Oxford,	Aug. 30, 1850.
115.	Truman Durham,	Southington,	Southington,	
116.	Velira A. Francis,*	Newington,	Newington,	M'ch 18, 1851.
117.	Ursula M. Hart,	Burlington,	Burlington,	" 5, "
118.	M. Anna Hubbard,	Bloomfield,	Bloomfield,	" 6, "
119.	Maria A. Graves,	Guilford,	Guilford,	April 15, "
120.	Nelson Griswold,*	North Branford,	North Branford,	M'ch 27, "
121.	George E. Gladwin,*	Haddam,	Haddam,	May 20, "
122.	Mary E. Lee,*	Guilford,	Guilford,	Feb. 26, "
123.	Mary S. Miller,	"	"	M'ch 19, "
124.	Michael Magner,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	Dec. 8, 1850.
125.	Charlotte I. North,*	Torrington,	Torrington,	M'ch 18, 1851.
126.	Egbert Northrop,*	New Milford,	New Milford,	" 5, "
127.	George F. Phelps,*	Columbia,	Columbia,	" 10, "
128.	Ruharnvah F. Sparks,*	Glastenbury,	Glastenbury,	Feb. 14, "
129.	S. Elizabeth Stanley,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	April 23, 1850.
130.	Henry D. Sherman,†	New Milford,	New Milford,	" 27, "
131.	Elbridge Upson,	Burlington,	Burlington,	M'ch 18, "
132.	Andrew I. Wells,*	Glastenbury,	Glastenbury,	" —, 1851.
133.	Harriet R. Barnes,*	Norwich,	Norwich,	May 12, "
134.	Mary U. Brownell,*	Moodus,	East Haddam,	" 10, "
135.	Walter Burnham,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	" 1, "
136.	Phebe A. Coles,	"		
137.	Alvah Cummings,	Southington,	Southington,	Nov. 17, "
138.	Charles A. Curtiss,*	Newtown,	Newtown,	May 16, "
139.	J. Henry Huntington,*	Norwich,	Norwich,	April 3, "
140.	George A. Hurlbut,*	Glastenbury,	Glastenbury,	May 12, "
141.	Marietta Leet,*	Guilford,	Guilford,	" 2, "
142.	Caroline P. Marsh,	New Milford,	New Milford,	
143.	Mary J. Mills,*	Fairfield,	Fairfield,	M'ch 6, "
144.	Roswell A. Moore,*	Kensington,	Kensington,	May 3, "
145.	Obed B. Morse,*	Wallingford,	Wallingford,	June 26, "
146.	Augusta Rogers,*	New London,	New London,	May 16, "
147.	Charles Kendall,	Bridgewater,	Bridgewater,	" 19, "
148.	Thomas C. Robbins,	Windham,	Windham,	Nov. 3, "
149.	Reuben H. Stone,*	Guilford,	Guilford,	June 16, "
150.	Adeline Stone,	Durham,	Durham,	M'ch 26, "
151.	Jane Stow,*	Meriden,	Meriden,	May 13, "
152.	Jane Underwood,*	Tolland,	Tolland,	" 2, "

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153.	Cyrene Whiting.*	Winsted,	Winsted,	May 9, 1851.
154.	William Williams.*	Willimantic,	Willimantic,	Aug. 12, 1850.
155.	Sarah E. Baldwin.*	New Britain,	New Britain,	" 14, 1851.
156.	Julia Burnitt.*	"	"	" 25, "
157.	Diantha F. Burnell.*	Stratfield,	Stratfield.	
158.	Elijah Baldwin.*	New Preston,	New Preston,	" 18, "
159.	W. J. Bartholomew.*	Thompson,	Thompson,	" 19, "
160.	Dwight H. Brewster.*	Griswold,	Griswold,	" 15, "
161.	James Burr.*	Monroe,	Monroe,	July 15, "
162.	Olive M. Shephard.*	Brooklyn,	Westminster,	Dec. 5, "
163.	Caroline E. Harrison,	Northford,	Northford,	Nov. 25, "
164.	Sylvia A. Upson.*	Meriden,	Meriden,	" 10, "
165.	Mary G. Starke,*	Pleasant Valley,	North Lyme,	" 24, "
166.	Mary E. Paine.*	N. Woodstock,	Muddy Brook,	May 5, "
167.	Sarah A. Arnold.*	Westford,	Willington,	Nov. 22, "
168.	Emma A. Cran,*	Norwalk,	Norwalk,	" 12, "
169.	Emeline Harrison,*	N. Branford,	N. Branford,	" 24, "
170.	Ophelia Randall.*	Roxbury,	Roxbury,	Oct. 13, "
171.	Elizabeth Sage.*	Cromwell,	Cromwell,	Dec. 2, "
172.	Mabel Clark,*	Enfield,	Enfield,	Nov. 17, "
173.	Elizabeth A. Mead,	New Fairfield,	New Fairfield,	" 27, "
174.	Maria Walter,	Willimantic,	Willimantic,	" 29, "
175.	Orilla J. Andrews,*	Hamden,	Hamden,	" 8, "
176.	Mary J. Stoddard,*	Newington,	Newington,	" 6, "
177.	Isabella P. Chapman,	East Haddam,	East Haddam,	" —, "
178.	Catharine Farris,	Durham,	Durham,	" 20, "
179.	Rhoda Gibbs,*	Kent,	Kent,	Jan. 27, 1852.
180.	Harriet Pinney,	East Granby,	East Granby,	Nov. 26, 1851.
181.	Fanny M. Fowler,	Northford,	Northford,	" 25, "
182.	Lydia Payne,*	Prospect,	Prospect,	" 23, "
183.	Mariette Hoyt,*	Stanwich,	Stanwich,	" 28, "
184.	Helen M. Page,*	Granby,	Granby,	Dec. 1, "
185.	L. Maria Day,*	Hadlyme,	Hadlyme,	Nov. —, "
186.	Charlotte S. Warner,*	Brookfield,	Brookfield,	Oct. —, "
187.	Ann E. Cone,*	Moodus,	E Haddam, 1st,	Nov. —, "
188.	Abby M. Fisher,*	West Chester,	West Chester,	" —, "
189.	Electa D. Williams,*	"	"	" 18, "
190.	Adelia N. Cawel,*	Waterbury,	Waterbury,	" 24, "
191.	Nancie C. Root,	Middletown,	Middletown,	" 7, "
192.	Amanda F. Clark,*	Guilford,	Guilford,	Oct. 15, "
193.	Frances L. Wells,*	Stratford,	Stratford, 1st,	Dec. 1, "
194.	Sarah B. Atwood,	Watertown,	Watertown,	April 17, "
195.	Catharine Pinney,	East Granby,	East Granby,	Nov. 26, "
196.	Catharine Fowler,*	Guilford,	Guilford,	" 26, "
197.	Ellen L. Cawel,*	Waterbury,	Waterbury,	" 24, "
198.	Ralph Curtiss,*	Warren,	Warren,	July 3, "
199.	Frederick S. Crosby,*	New Milford,	New Milford,	Aug. 7, "
200.	Alfred E. Camp,*	Meriden,	Meriden,	" 14, "
201.	Seth Eaton,*	Tolland,	Tolland,	" 11, "
202.	Newton Fuller,*	Lebanon,	Lebanon,	June 16, "
203.	Mary Hutchins,*	West Killingly,	W. Killingly,	Aug. 14, "
204.	Levi A. Hall,*	Mansfield,	Mansfield,	" 15, "
205.	Deborah Knapp,*	Greenwich,	W. Greenwich,	April 10, 1850.
206.	Edwin Keys,	Eastford,	Eastford.	
207.	Adeline F. Little,*	Columbia,	Columbia,	Aug. 4, 1851.
208.	William H. Mather,	Suffield,	Suffield,	" 14, "
209.	William C. Moss, Jr.,	Stonington,	Stonington,	" 18, "
210.	Daniel H. Manwaring,*	Clinton,	Clinton,	Dec. 3, "
211.	Lucy M. Pierpoint,	Litchfield,	Litchfield,	Aug. 26, "
212.	Charles E. Plumb,*	Trumbull,	Trumbull,	" 26, "

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213.	Edwin Rose,	Norwich,	Norwich,	Aug. 14, 1851
214.	Alvah St. John,*	Ellsworth,	Ellsworth,	" 18, "
215.	Charles D. Sherwood,*	New Milford,	New Milford,	" 7, "
216.	Charles C. Smith,*	Ellsworth,	Ellsworth,	" 1, "
217.	Ann A. Thompson,	Avon,	Avon,	May 17, "
218.	Mary A. Walker,	N. Woodstock,	Muddy Brook,	Sept. —, "
219.	Charles H. Wright,*	Columbia,	Hebron,	Aug. 25, "
220.	Charles N. White,*	Columbia,	Hebron,	" " "
221.	Everett H. Wright,*	Milton,	Milton,	" " "
222.	Henrietta B. Waters,*	Norwich,	Norwich,	July 22, "
223.	Lucy A. Brainard,*	West Chester,	Colchester,	Nov. —, "
224.	Cynthia E. Brooks,*	Guilford,	Guilford,	" —, "
225.	Adelia Smith,*	New Preston,	New Preston,	" —, "
226.	Elizabeth K. Havens,*	Wethersfield,	Wethersfield,	Oct. 8, "
227.	Mary E. Merwin,	Woodbury,	Hotchkissville,	Nov. 20, "
228.	Lavinia Woodruff,	N. Hartf'd C'tr,	New Hartford,	" 22, "
229.	Louisa J. Bissell,*	Plainville,	Plainville,	" 29, "
230.	Sarah E. Banks,*	Norwalk,	Norwalk,	" 10, "
231.	Cornelia Gaylord,*			
232.	Anna A. Carter,*	Bridgewater,	Bridgewater,	" —, "
233.	Sarah A. Mead,	W. Greenwich,	Greenwich,	Oct. —, "
234.	Ellen M. Stone,*	Durham Center,	Durham,	Nov. —, "
235.	Aurelia P. Moody,*	New York City,	Saybrook,	" —, "
236.	Frances M. Curtis,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	Dec. 3, "
237.	Harriet Brownell,*	Moodus,	East Haddam,	Nov. —, "
238.	Jane M. Brownell,*	Moodus,	East Haddam,	" —, "
239.	Desire A. Granniss,*	Milton,	Milton,	" 23, "
240.	Laura A. Nichols,*	East Haddam,	E. Haddam, 1st,	" —, "
241.	Elizabeth Warner,*	Hadlyme,	Hadlyme,	Dec. —, "
242.	Jane A. Bartholomew,*	Granby,	Granby,	" —, "
243.	Caroline E. Case,*	West Suffield,	West Suffield,	" 2, "
244.	Hannah J. Hart,	New Britain,	New Britain,	" 8, "
245.	Lucy M. Fapson,*	Bethlehem,	Bethlehem,	May 8, 1850.
246.	Louisa A. Smith,*	Cheshire,	Cheshire,	Nov. 6, 1851.
247.	Elizabeth Jackson,*	Easton,	Easton,	Oct. 14, "
248.	Emily Witter,*	Willimantic,	Willimantic,	Nov. 29, "
249.	Maria Brockett,*	Burlington,	Burlington,	" 24, "
250.	Lisette Perkins,*	New Britain,	New Britain,	Dec. 8, "
251.	Frances Whittlesey,*	Farmington,	Farmington,	" 4, "
252.	Eliza Mills,*	Bridgeport,	Stratfield,	
253.	Eugenia Baldwin,	Middletown,	Middletown,	Nov. 8, "
254.	Fanny Lewis,*	Hampton,	Hampton,	" 11, "
255.	Mary H. Fry,*	Simsbury,	Simsbury,	Dec. 5, "
256.	Thankful Buel,*	Killingworth,	Killingworth,	Nov. 17, "
257.	Maria Stone,*	Warren,	Warren,	Dec. 1, "
258.	Alfred J. Loomis,	West Chester,	West Chester,	" 1, "
259.	Hebes J. Ives,	Durham Center,	Durham,	
260.	R. Floyd Everett,*	Ellsworth,	Ellsworth,	" " "
261.	Walter R. Kingsbury,*	Andover,	Andover,	" 2, 1851.
262.	N. Gregory Hall,			
263.	Amos A. White,	Westford,	Willington,	Nov. 25, "
264.	William W. Little,*	Columbia,	Columbia,	" 30, "
265.	Frederic Whittlesey,			
266.	Street Williams,	Wallingford,	Wallingford,	Dec. —, "
267.	Judah L. Witter,	N. Woodstock,	N. Woodstock,	" 5, "
268.	Richard W. Hotchkiss,	Prospect,	Prospect,	" 7, "
269.	Caroline E. Forbes,	East Hartford,	Scotland,	" 1, "
270.	Susan J. Hayes,*	Granby,	North Granby,	" 9, "
271.	Mary J. Thorp,*	Trumbull,	Trumbull,	" 4, "
272.	Daniel A. Peck,*	East Haddam,	Millington,	Nov. 27, "

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273.	William H. Peet,*	Huntington,	Huntington,	Dec. 3, 1851.
274.	Asaph H. Bartlett,*	W. Hampton,	West Avon,	" 13, "
275.	Mary A. Doyle,		Hartford,	" 29, "
276.	Ellen Sloper,	New Britain,	New Britain,	Jan. 8, 1852.
277.	Sarah S. Perkins,	Hartford,	Hartford,	" 3, "
278.	Cornelia Booth,	Stratford,	Stratford,	" 12, "
279.	Emily W. Whittlesey,*	Farmington,	Farmington,	Feb. 2, "
280.	John Lewis,*	Hampton,	Hampton,	Jan. —, "
281.	Franklin Burr,*	Burrville,	Torrington,	Feb 13, "
282.	Charles E. Yeomans,	Columbia,	Columbia,	Aug. 23, 1851.
283.	Sheldon B. Wilton,	Waterbury,	Waterbury.	
284.	John C. Peck,	Greenwich,	Greenwich,	May 24, "
285.	Wm. S. Goslee,	Glastenbury,	Glastenbury.	July 1, 1850.
286.	F. G. Barber,	Bloomfield,	Bloomfield,	May 12, 1851.
287.	George S. Yeomans,	Columbia,	Columbia,	Aug. 17, "
288.	E. W. Sherwood,	Lakeville,	Salisbury,	March 3, "
289.	Emily A. Thayer,	New Milford,	New Milford,	Dec. 19, "
290.	Harriet Lord,	Ellsworth,	Ellsworth,	Jan. —, 1852.
291.	Albert C. Griswold,	Wethersfield,	Wethersfield,	March 3, "
292.	John A. Brooks,*	Guilford,	Guilford,	" 12, "
293.	L. Maria Cutler,*	Lisbon,	Hanover,	" 15, "
294.	Hannah E. Avery,	Hampton,	Hampton,	" 16, "
295.	Sophia H. Adams,*	East Windsor,	Broad Brook,	Feb. 26, "
296.	Epenetus Erwin,	Bridgewater,	Bridgewater,	March 16, "
297.	Louisa J. Tibbals,	Durham,	Durham,	" 19, "
298.	Minerva Burrows,	N. Mansfield,	N. Mansfield,	May, —, "
299.	Thomas E. Porter,*	S. Coventry,	S. Coventry,	Nov. 3, 1851.
300.	Sarah A. Pierce,*	Starks-boro, Vt.	Kent,	March 3, "
301.	Amelia Johnson,*	W. Willington,	Tolland,	" —, 1852.
302.	Ellen F. Hubbard,*	Greenwich,	Stanwich,	" 12, "
303.	Sarah J. Bissell,*	Rockville,	Rockville,	" 11, 1851.
304.	Jane Norton,*	Goshen,	Goshen.	
305.	Warner J. Burroughs,	East Kent,	East Kent,	" 3, 1852.
306.	Ellen W. Bushnell,*	Lisbon,	Hanover,	" 15, "
307.	Jane L. Morehouse,*	Black Rock,	Fairfield,	" 13, "
308.	Susan Day,	West Chester,	West Chester,	" —, "
309.	Ruth S. Kingsbury,*	Andover,	Andover,	" 16, "
310.	Mary E. Miller,*	Andover,	Andover,	" —, "
311.	Sarah M. Corbin,	Willington,	Willington,	" 15, "
312.	Emeline N. Hebbard,*	Jewett City,	Lisbon.	
313.	Nancy A. Tuller,*	Columbia,	Columbia,	Feb. —, "
314.	Elizabeth A. Hart,*	Durham,	Durham,	March 15, "
315.	Lydia Mather,*	West Suffield,	West Suffield,	" —, "
316.	George Fellows,*	Wilton,	Wilton,	" 16, "
317.	Emily Loomis,*	Columbia,	Columbia.	
318.	Angeline Hungerford,*	Sherman,	Sherman,	Feb. 10, "
319.	Harriet J. Warner,*	Colchester,	Colchester,	March 15, "
320.	George Norton,*	Goshen,	Goshen,	" 8, "
321.	Elizabeth N. Peet,	Huntington,	Huntington.	
322.	Catharine A. Clark,*	Willington,	Willington.	
323.	Mary M. Holmes,*	West Winsted,	Winsted,	" 4, "
324.	Althea M. Lord,*	Abington,	Abington,	" 13, "
325.	Jabez C. Fitch,*	S. Windham,	Windham,	" 17, "
326.	Hannah A. Lovett,	Lisbon,	Hanover,	" 15, "
327.	Mary S. Pratt,	East Hartford,	East Hartford,	" 25, "
328.	Sarah E. Gaylord,*	Wallingford,	Wallingford,	" —, "
329.	Amanda L. Jepson,	Webster, Ms.,	Thompson,	" 24, "
330.	Annie S. Huntington,	East Canaan,	2d S. S.	

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OF THE
STATE NORMAL SCHOOL AT NEW BRITAIN.

THE State Normal School or "Seminary for the training of teachers in the art of teaching and governing the Common Schools" of Connecticut, was established by act of the Legislature, May session, 1849, and the sum of eleven thousand dollars was appropriated for its support for a period of at least four years.

The sum appropriated for the support of the school is derived not from the income of the School Fund, or any of the ordinary resources of the Treasury, but from a bonus of ten thousand dollars paid by the State Bank, at Hartford, and of \$1000 paid by the Deep River Bank, for their respective charters. No part of this sum can be expended in any building or fixtures for the school, or for the compensation of the trustees.

The entire management of the Institution, as to the application of the funds, the location of the school, the regulation of the studies and exercises, and the granting of diplomas, is committed to a Board of Trustees, consisting of the Superintendent of Common Schools, ex officio, and one member for each of the eight counties of the state, appointed by the Legislature, two in each year, and to hold their office for the term of four years, and serve without compensation. The Board must submit an annual report as to their own doings, and the progress and condition of the seminary.

The Normal School was located permanently in New Britain, on the 1st of February, 1850, after full consideration of the claims and offers of other towns, on account of the central position of the town in the state, and its accessibility from every section by railroad; and also in consideration of the liberal offer on the part of its citizens, to provide a suitable building, apparatus, and library, to the value of \$16,000, for the use of the Normal School, and to place all the schools of the village under the management of the Principal of the Normal School, as Schools of Practice.

The building provided for the accommodation of the Normal School, and the Schools of Practice, when completed, will contain three large study-halls, with nine class-rooms attached, a hall for lectures and exhibitions, a laboratory for chemical and philosophical experiments, an office for the Principal and trustees, a room for the library, and suitable accommodations for apparatus, clothes, furnaces, fuel, &c. The entire building will be fitted up and furnished in the most substantial manner, and with special reference to the health, comfort and successful labor of pupils and teachers. In addition to the Normal School building, there are three houses located in different parts of the village, for the accommodation of the primary schools belonging to the Schools of Practice.

The immediate charge of the Normal School, and Schools of Practice, is committed to Rev. T. D. P. Stone, Associate Principal, to whom all communications relating to the schools, can be addressed.

The school was opened for the reception of pupils, on Wednesday, the 15th of May, 1850, and the first term closed on Tuesday, October 1st. The number of pupils in attendance during the term, was sixty-seven; thirty males, and thirty-seven females.

The second term will commence on Wednesday, the 4th of December.

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1850, and continue till the third Wednesday in April, 1851, divided into two sessions as given below.

TERMS AND VACATIONS.—The year is divided into two terms, Summer and Winter, each term consisting of two sessions.

The first session of the winter term commences on the first Wednesday of December, and continues fourteen weeks. The second session of the winter term commences on the third Wednesday of March, and continues six weeks.

The first session of the summer term commences on the third Wednesday of May, and continues twelve weeks. The second session of the summer term commences on the third Wednesday of August, and continues six weeks.

To accommodate pupils already engaged in teaching, the short session of each term will, as far as shall be found practicable, be devoted to a review of the studies pursued in the district schools in the season of the year immediately following, and to a course of familiar lectures on the classification, instruction and discipline of such schools.

ADMISSION OF PUPILS.—The highest number of pupils which can be received in any one term, is two hundred and twenty.

Each school society is entitled to have one pupil in the school; and no society can have more than one in any term, so long as there are applicants from any society, at the time unrepresented. Until the whole number of pupils in actual attendance shall reach the highest number fixed by law, the Principal is authorized to receive all applicants who may present themselves, duly recommended by the visitors of any school society.

Any person, either male or female, may apply to the school visitors of any school society for admission to the school, who will make a written declaration, that their object in so applying is to qualify himself (or herself) for the employment of a common school teacher, and that it is his (or her) intention to engage in that employment, in this state.

The school visitors are authorized to forward to the Superintendent of Common Schools, in any year, the names of four persons, two of each sex, who shall have applied as above, for admission to the school, and who shall have been found on examination by them, "possessed of the qualifications required of teachers of common schools in this state," and whom they "shall recommend to the trustees as suitable persons, by their age, character, talents, and attainments, to be received as pupils in the Normal School."

Applicants duly recommended by the school visitors, can forward their certificate directly to the Associate Principal of the Normal School at New Britain, who will inform them of the time when they must report themselves to be admitted to any vacant places in the school.

Persons duly recommended, and informed of their admission, must report themselves within the first week of the term for which they are admitted, or their places will be considered as vacated.

Any persons, once regularly admitted to the Normal School, can remain connected with the same, for three years, and will not lose their places, by temporary absence in teaching common schools in the state—such experience, in connection with the instruction of the Institution, being considered a desirable part of a teacher's training.

STUDIES.—The course of instruction will embrace:—1. A thorough review of the studies pursued in the lowest grade of common schools. 2. An acquaintance with such studies as are embraced in the highest grade of common schools, authorized by law, and which will render the teaching of the elementary branch more thorough and interesting. 3. The art of teaching and its methods, including the history and progress

of education, the philosophy of teaching and discipline, as drawn from the nature of the juvenile mind, and the application of those principles under the ordinary conditions of our common schools.

The members of the school will be arranged in three classes—Junior, Middle and Senior. All pupils, on being admitted to the school, will be ranked in the *Junior Class*, until their familiarity with the studies of the lowest grade of common schools have been satisfactorily tested. The *Middle Class* will embrace those who are pursuing the branches usually taught in Public High Schools. The *Senior Class* will comprise those who are familiar with the studies of the Junior and Middle Classes, or who are possessed of an amount of experience in active and successful teaching, which can be regarded as a practical equivalent. All the studies of the school will be conducted in reference to their being taught again in common schools.

PRACTICE IN THE ART OF TEACHING AND GOVERNING SCHOOLS.—The several schools of the First School District, comprising the village of New Britain, are placed by a vote of the District, under the instruction and discipline of the Associate Principal, as Model Schools, and Schools of Practice, for the Normal School. These schools embrace about four hundred children, and are classified into three Primary, one Intermediate, and one High School. The course of instruction embraces all the studies pursued in any grade of common schools in Connecticut. The instruction of these schools will be given by pupils of the Normal School, under the constant oversight of the Associate Principal and Professors.

TEXT BOOKS.—A Library of the best text books, in the various studies pursued in the schools, is commenced, and already numbers upward of four thousand volumes. Pupils are supplied with text books in such studies as they may be engaged, at a charge, barely sufficient to keep the books in good condition, and supply such as may be injured or lost. Arrangements have also been made to furnish teachers who wish to own a set of text books at the publishers' lowest wholesale price.

APPARATUS.—The sum of one thousand dollars is appropriated for the purchase of apparatus, which will be procured from time to time, as the wants of the school may require. As far as practicable, such articles of apparatus will be used in the class-rooms of the Normal School, as can be readily made by teachers themselves, or conveniently procured at low prices, and be made useful in the instruction of District Schools.

LIBRARY.—The school is already furnished with the best works on the Theory and Practice of Education, which the Normal pupils are expected to read, and on several of which they are examined. The library will be supplied with Encyclopedias, Dictionaries, and other books of reference, to which free access will be given to members of the school.

BOARD.—Normal pupils must board and lodge in such families, and under such regulations, as are approved by the Associate Principal.

The price of board, including room, fuel, lights and washing, in private families, ranges from \$2.00 to \$2.50 per week. Persons, expecting to join the school, should signify their intention to the Associate Principal, as early as practicable, before the commencement of a term, that there may be no disappointment in the place and price of board.

DISCIPLINE.—The discipline of the institution is committed to the Associate Principal, who is authorized to secure the highest point of order and behavior by all suitable means, even to a temporary suspension of a pupil from the schools. The age of the pupils, the objects which bring them to a Normal School, and the spirit of the institution itself, will, it is

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believed, dispense with the necessity of a code of rules. The members are expected to exemplify in their own conduct, the order, punctuality, and neatness of good scholars, and exhibit in all their relations, Christian courtesy, kindness and fidelity.

EXAMINATION AND INSPECTION.—The school will be visited each term by a committee of the trustees, who will report the results of their examination to the Board.

There will be an examination at the close of each term, before the whole Board, and at the close of the summer term, the examination will be public, and will be followed by an exhibition.

The school is at all times open to inspection, and school visitors, teachers, and the friends of education generally in the state, are cordially invited to visit it at their convenience.

DIPLOMA.—The time required to complete the course of instruction and practice, which shall be deemed by the trustees a suitable preparation for the business of teaching, and entitle any applicant to a Diploma of the Normal School, will depend on the age, attainments, mental discipline, moral character, and evidence of practical tact in instruction and government of each applicant.

No diploma will be given to any person who does not rank in the Senior Class, and has not given evidence of possessing some practical talent as a teacher in the Schools of Practice, or in the District Schools of the state.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

A portion of the vacation in the spring and autumn, will be devoted by the Officers of the Normal School, to Teachers' Institutes, or Conventions, in different parts of the state.

At least two of these Institutes will be held in the spring, for the special benefit of teachers who may be engaged, or expect to teach district schools in the summer following.

COUNTY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Principal, or one of the Professors of the Normal School, will attend, on invitation and due notice, at every regular meeting of any County Teachers' Association, which shall continue in session through two evenings and one day, and assist in the lectures, discussions and other exercises of the occasion.

STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

The State Teachers' Association has voted to hold an annual meeting at New Britain during the examination at the close of the summer term of the Normal School, and a special meeting at the dedicatory exercises at the completion of the Normal School in the spring. Arrangements will be made to entertain all members of the Association, during the meeting.

*Adopted at a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held at New Britain.
Oct. 1, 1850.*

FRANCIS GILLETTE, *President.*